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TRANSIENT NOTICES, FIFTY CENTS FOR EIGHT LINES EACH INSERTION. FOR LARGER SPACE AND PER-MANENT RATES, APPLY AS ABOVE.

Swimming.

The small boy and the duck take to the water during the Summer season with equal readiness.

Cleanlineas and comfort are both at

It is a pleasure even for a short time to be deliciously cool. As a measure of health, bathing has an important sanitary value. To the great "unwashed" it is a bodily salvation. The extensive baths of Rome show how thoroughly it was appromotes the spiritual health, so cleanliness ministers to the vigor of the body; and the Apostle ranks cleanliness next to godliness. But when the means of obtaining this cleanliness are next one's back or front door, there is apt to be some question as to its desirability.

In the country the use of streams for bathing purposes is a time-honored custom. No elaborate toilets are considered necessary. The urchin drops his school books in a convenient nook, relieves himself of hat, shirt and pants, and is soon enjoying his favorite Summer pastime. To this there is no objection. The practice has much to commend it. Besides its sanitary use, it gives opportunity for learning the art of swimming, by which He is often saved. Surely those whose youth has been spent amid such enjoyments can appreciate the wants of the growing generation.

And yet, we are no longer a country village, with a scattered population. The delights of bathing are altogether too obvious to many of our people.

The canal in many places is no longer a desirable place for bathers. The use of it for this purpose is to many an intolerable nuisance. Some remedy should immediately be devised.

One has been put in force by the township authorities. Notices are to be posted at the various points most exposed to public gaze, forbidding the use of the canal for bathing purposes. If this is found to be unavailing arrests will follow, with punishment by the courts.

This remedy is expensive, and it is to some extent a hardship.

One of a different kind might perhaps be tried with better results-for the small boy is as hard to catch as an eel, and his love of fun is likely to bring on an irrepressible conflict. The use of bathing suits would entirely obviate the difficulty; they are cheap, easily obtainable and convenient.

An ordinance which should absolutely forbid bathing within certain limits with out their use would prove salutary. At least it is worth a trial.

Garbage.

An amusing story is told of a little boy who was asked if his father expected they intended to move but he had not heard anything said about it at home. He was asked for the reason of his opinion, and replied that he had noticed that his father had begun to empty the ashes upon the cellar floor, and they generally moved soon after that.

There are a good many people in the world, and a few of them live in Bloomfield, who seem to act on this same spirit of ingenious selfishness. If they are reasonably sure that they will not suffer from the presence of a nuisance, they seem perfectly indifferent as to the amount of annoyance which others may experience by reason of their careless or even wilful disregard of the ordinary rights of neighbors.

Complaint has recently been made of the practice of depositing garbage and ashes in the streets or gutters, or of allowing it to accumulate in heaps in back yards to the serious annoyance of the neighbors and the public.

for such purposes and there are other de- less news (?) and a more secure treasury.

mands to be met by the tax payers, but in the thickly settled parts of the village it would seem that the residents could unite in employing a scavenger to call daily and remove the refuse to some place where it would offend no one. The cost of such an arrangement would be very little to each one and it would greatly add to the comfort of many people and also increase the attractiveness of the streets. The gutter and sidewalk is a poor receptable for tomato cans and other refuse, and people will not be slow to form an opinion of the character of persons who persist in depositing garbage in a public street.

The Station.

The Morris and Essex R. R. Company have built a number of fine stations with. in a few years on the line of their road. Those at Morristown, East Orange, and Montclair are especially to be noted; and the benefit which those towns are receiving from these improvements is plain to every one.

Glen Ridge is also to be favored with new and elegant station, and Bloomfield and Watsessing will remain conspicuous for the character of their depots.

The R. R. Companies are not to blame for this condition of affairs, for within the past three or four years they have done what they could to renovate the old buildings which we occupy, and in each case they have been prevented from giving us better accommodations because of the difficulty they experienced in securing the needful amount of land.

It will hardly be reasonable for us to ask them to build us a new station at Bloomfield upon their present cramped

What is needed is that a new street shall be opened running alongside of the railroad from Glenwood avenue to Washington street, and leaving sufficient room preciated in ancient times. As godliness for the company to erect a handsome building with convenient approaches.

The land is there and not built upon in a way that would not admit of securing all the space needed. The difficulty in the past has been to secure this land at a reasonable price.

It may be that the land could now be secured for such a purpose. If that can be accomplished, we believe that enough money could be raised to make it certain that a satisfactory station would be built at an early day.

The Republicans are beaten very far in advance. They will make very little noise. The Prohibitionists will try the hoop-it-up business, and the Democrats will quietly walk off with the prize. -Newark Journal.

Some of us have read somewhere a story of a certain monkey that used a cat for accomplishing a little piece of business he had in hand. Let we venture to affirm that no cat was ever heard to repeat that story. It is hard on the cats as a family.

When you find the head of a large concern spending much of his time upon minute details, be sure that large interests are being neglected. There is a limit to the capacity for work of any man. Philip II. was the champion looker-after of details in all history, and as an admintrator he was a most gigantic failure. While Mr. Cleveland is using up much of his time and energy in cracking jokes on the pension bills, some large interests of his party and the nation are surely being neglected.

Bogus.

We have from time to time commented on the glaring inaccuracies of the items in the Newark and New York newspapers, which relate to persons and things in Bloomfield. We notice this the more, owing to the factt hat many of those. strangely constituted, who never find anything good at home, often contrast THE CITIZEN with these papers, to the ap parent discredit of the former. They say these outsiders give more and fresher Bloomfield news than the Bloomfield paper, and therefore affect to despise the home production.

Of genuine information, The CITIZEN supplies more than all the rest of the to vacate his home on the approaching | daily and weekly papers put together first of April. The boy said he thought | multiplied by ten. We are not, however, in the news manufacturing business, and are happy to leave our rivals the entire monopoly of the bogus article. There are people who prefer oleomargarine to butter; we do not.

Some of our contemporaries, if they do not caution their reporters and correspondents, will find themselves involved in a first class libel suit before long. There are several residents of Bloomfield and the Oranges who have had cause enough within this last year, and sooner or later these enterprising journalists will drop on the wrong person and then there will be fun for the spectators.

We would particularly call the attention of the Newark Journal to the fact that publishing a story, that one person stabbed another so severely that the person stabbed was lying in an unconscious condition with chances of recovery doubtful, when in truth there had been no stabbing, and all parties concerned were busily engaged in their usual daily avo-In a town like Bloomfield it is out of cations, is playing with fire. Falsely acthe question to expect the Town Com- cusing people of stabbing their neighbors mittee to provide a system of scavengers, is not looked upon as good journalism they have no power to spend public money | about here. As for ourselves we prefer

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Proposals are also solicited for the construction of a broken stone roadway between same points about 2,600 feet in length, 20 feet wide and 6 in. in depth. The proposal for construction of roadway to include all excavation necessary for the road bed, i. e. 6 in. depth and 20 feet wide. All work and materials subject to approval of Committee appointed by the Township Committee to supervise the work

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Note .- Leave GLEN RIDGE 2 minutes earlier, WATSESSING 2 minutes later than time given

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